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Wittal, four incumbents, two new councillors elected

BY LEA SMALDON
Review Staff

Brian Wittal joins four incumbents and two new councillors to form the next Town of Didsbury municipal council for the next three years.

Wittal received 690 votes to Rick Lavigne's 514 to retain the mayor's chair.

Wittal described the race as "closer than anyone expected" and said the count was a telltale sign.

"It tells me there's certainly some support but that we've also got some work to do," Wittal said moments after Monday night's election results were made public.

Wittal was first elected to the Didsbury municipal council in the 2007 municipal election earning 59 per cent of the vote, or 830 votes compared to then-incumbent mayoralty candidate Dorothy Moore's 577.

He described "waiting until the bitter end this year", hoping for solid support and understanding with critical decisions that were made by council over the term.

"It's humbling, really," Wittal said.

Councillor incumbents Richard Mousseau, Gail Nowlan, Ernie Ryckman, and Gayle Veno were also re-elected and will be joined by first term councillors Peter Hewitt Versluys and Donald Lavar Adams.

Adams received 580 votes, Mousseau, 756, Nowlan, 638, Ryckman, 563, Hewitt Versluys, 737, Veno, 678, and Rayburn Anderson garnered 565 votes.

Incumbent Bob Davidson lost out with 523 votes as did Ken Anderson, who garnered 450 votes.

During campaigning, Wittal said he heard concerns about taxes, children's activities and programs, and the possibility of a skataboard park.

"There's lots of things that to continue on with, that we can consider," said Wittal.

He said he is looking forward to working with the council that has been voted in and says his responsibility as mayor extends to helping the newly elected councillors become comfortable in their new roles.

"It can be unnerving," said Wittal.



Incumbent mayor Brian Wittal casts his ballot at the polls during yesterday's municipal election vote.

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MVC voters cast out 4 of 5 incumbents

BY JOHN GLEESON
Review Staff

Mountain View County voters have thrown out most of the current council and elected two Rural Roots leaders and three of the group's conditional supporters in an overwhelming vote for change.

Of the current council only Reeve Al Kemmere held his Div. 7 seat – and just barely, as businessman Mike Radford finished with 190 votes compared to Kemmere's 218 in the unofficial count released after polls closed last night.

In Div. 1, two-term incumbent Gwen Day lost to former Rural Roots director Kevin Good, who received 341 votes compared to Day's 227.

In Div. 2, incumbent Lana Yakimchuk was roundly defeated by mortgage broker Patricia McKean, whose unofficial tally was 351 votes compared to Yakimchuk's 201.

In the biggest numerical upset of the night, Div. 3, challenger Duncan Milne more than tripled incumbent Everett Page's 101 votes, finishing with 343 votes.

A close-fought race in Div. 4 saw incumbent Kathy Blain, with 210 votes, edged out by Ag Services Board chair Bruce Beattie, who received 268 votes.

Farmer Robert Orr finished first in the three-way race for Div. 5, receiving 230 votes compared to Verna McFadden's 175 and Linda Burrell's 120 votes.

And former Rural Roots president Paddy Munro came out on top in the five-way race for Div. 6 with 342 votes, followed by Ken Heck (221 votes), Bob Nerrie (45), Hans Ullmann (36) and William Davies (19).

"It's exactly what I expected," Munro said after the unofficial results came in.

"As I was going door to door everybody was saying, 'The incumbents absolutely didn't listen to what we told them.' Now they're going to listen," Munro said.

Good was quick to point out that candidates who have been identified as conditional Rural Roots supporters – McKean, Milne and Orr – are not tied to the group but are "just rural-minded people like three-quarters of the county's population ... average joes who didn't like the way things were headed."

"I would say we're like-minded," Munro said of the five candidates. "But let me be absolutely clear. Trish (McKean), I met her one month ago when she filed her papers. Duncan Milne I haven't seen since we were kids. He didn't come to one of our open houses. He's just a good local guy."

For Kemmere, the last incumbent standing, the outcome came as a surprise – "in my own division I was quite surprised by how close it was," he admitted – but the two-term reeve was philosophical about the results.

"A year ago we told (the Rural Roots) people that if they really believed in what they were saying they should run for council. So some did and they've come through as winners and now we have to sit down and build a team," Kemmere said, adding that the county went through a similar upheaval six years ago but managed to work through it.

As to whether he would serve a third term as reeve if asked, Kemmere said it was too early to say.

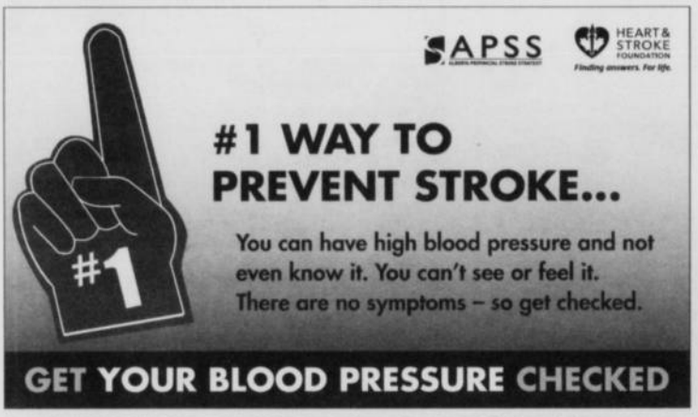
"I'm gonna wait and go through some orientation with these people and see where they're coming from before I make that decision," he said.

Munro also said he believes the new council will be able to work with Kemmere.

"Absolutely. It's just that he won't be the reeve. There's not a chance in the world," Munro said.

Asked who he predicted the next reeve would be, Munro said: "We'll just wait a bit on that one."

Voter turnout was 38 per cent, returning officer Dale Withage said.





Tri–Community Transportation Satellite Project Seeks Seed Dollars

In February of 2010, a group of human service providers working in Carstairs, Cremona, and Didsbury and their surrounding areas identified a significant gap in service for members of our community (seniors, low-income families or individuals, persons with disabilities) who require transportation to essential services such as the food bank, social activities, dental offices, and medical appointments (regular and/or specialist) and other health related appointments in Mountain View County and Calgary.

The Tri-Transportation Committee consisting of representatives from Mental Heath, the Didsbury Hospital Social Work Program, the Family and Community Support Services (FCSSes) of participating communities including Mountain View County, and the Rocky View Regional Handy-Bus Society are engaged in phase one of a three-phase pilot project.

To date, a proposal has been accepted from the Rocky View Regional Handy-Bus Society (Airdrie) for the provision of a 24 month satellite program ending in January of 2014 (pending seed funding).

The Tri-Transportation Committee is currently soliciting interest and input from organizations in the Carstairs, Cremona and Didsbury area. Please RSVP attendance at an upcoming community presentation in one of the following communities:

Didsbury: October 28, 2010 @ 7 pm
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Carstairs: October 27, 2010 @ 7 pm
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Murray Elliott/Didsbury Review

STRAIGHT ESCAPE-
Magician Sheldon Casavant entertained a spellbound crowd of 118, during the Didsbury & District Chamber of Commerce's Small Business Week Gala, Oct. 16, at the Didsbury Memorial Complex.

School board seats settled

BY ANDREW WILD
Review Staff

There will be one new trustee and two incumbents at the Chinook's Edge School Division board of trustees following the school board elections on Monday night.

Trudy James was elected the new trustee for Olds/Reed Ranch as she secured 542 votes to 353 for Rosemary Parrott. She'll replace Doug Wagstaff at the board table following his decision to not seek re-election.

Joining James in election night victories were Sherry Cooper in Penhold/River Glen/Poplar Ridge, following the incumbent securing 841 votes to challenger Serena King's 410. Fellow incumbent Penny Archibald recaptured her Innisfail ward with 644 votes, easily outdistancing Derek Baird with 322 and Don Bester with 62.

Already acclaimed to the division board were Gordon Kerr in Didsbury, replacing outgoing veteran trustee Ian Taylor, Bill MacFarquhar in Carstairs/Cremona, Ron Fisher in Sundre, Connie Huelsman in Bowden/Spruce View, Colleen Butler in Delburne/Elnora, and Joe-Anne Knispel-Matejka from Sylvan Lake.

Trustees will be sworn in and will choose a new chair at a public meeting on Oct. 27 at 9 a.m. at the Innisfail division office.

Casino review under review again

BY LEA SMALDON
Review Staff

The more than 30 charity groups in Didsbury eligible to conduct casinos to raise funds will continue to endure long wait times for the opportunity to do so despite the completion of a long-awaited MLA review.

The thorough review of charitable gaming policies for wait times, distribution of proceeds and volunteer requirements is now being referred to the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (AGLC) for further research.

The committee's report, released last week, outlines complex issues in finding a fair and equitable solution for all eligible charities in Alberta, according to government officials.

"It's clear the issues raised in this report need more analysis and research," said Frank Oberle, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security, responsible for the AGLC. "Given the importance of charitable gaming dollars to so many charities and the communities they serve, we want to take the extra time to get it right."

No indication was given as to how long the gaming and liquor board would take to research the review. In the meantime, existing AGLC policies remain unchanged.

The Didsbury Elks Club, like many other charity and sport groups in the area, has a nearly three-year wait to conduct a casino. Prior to demand being so high across the province, the club used to conduct casinos every 18 months.

It was one of 1,400 participants to partake in 15 regional consultations last fall conducted by the MLA advisory committee.

An additional 400 written submissions from affected groups were also considered as part of the review.

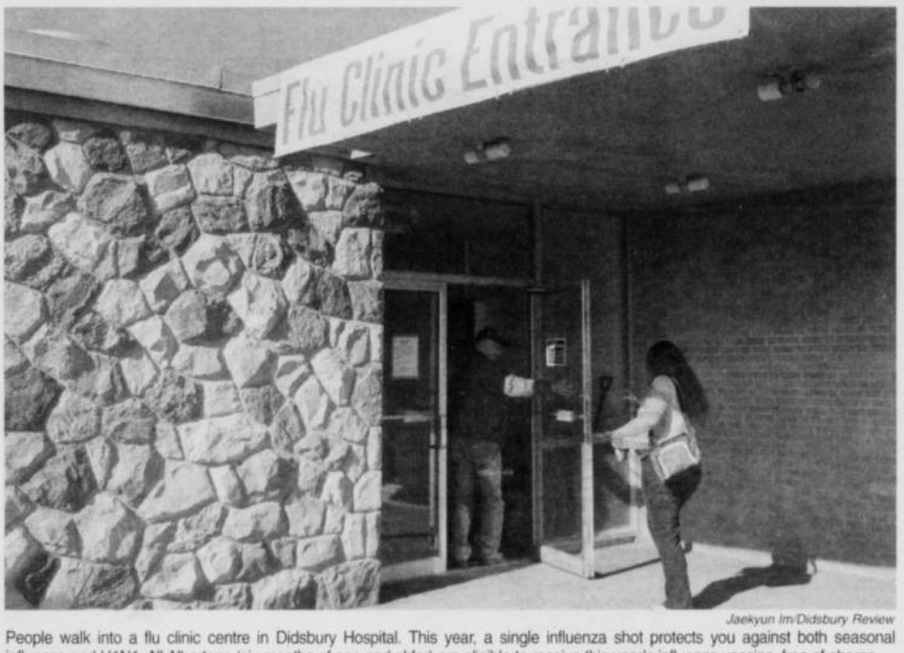
The three-member MLA advisory committee was struck in September 2009, in response to 125 letters of complaint issued over a two-year period regarding the charitable gaming model.

Eligible groups like the Didsbury Curling Club say there's no other event similar to casinos where as much money can be made - $25,000 in two days for the curling club.

Volunteers from each group work a two-day casino in their designated area, one of eight casino regions in the province. Proceeds from table games and slot machines are pooled regionally and paid out equally to the charities that took part.

With the lure of bigger money, the number of charities applying to operate a casino has increased to the point where accomodating all the requests takes up to three years depending on the region in which they are applying.

- With files from Tamara Cunningham



Jaekyun Im/Didsbury Review

People walk into a flu clinic centre in Didsbury Hospital. This year, a single influenza shot protects you against both seasonal influenza and H1N1. All Albertans (six months of age and older) are eligible to receive this year's influenza vaccine, free of charge.

Handibus service investigated

BY SYLVIA COLE
Review Staff

A handibus service to get people to doctor's appointments, food banks or social appointments could be starting up in Didsbury as soon as January.

Robbin Bowman, director of FCSS in Carstairs said there is currently a volunteer driving program in Carstairs but it's getting busier and doesn't accommodate wheelchairs.

She said there is a huge need for people trying to get around to medical appointments, the food bank and mental health appointments.

"This will take the pressure off the volunteer driving program," said Bowman, who added the program will continue to shuttle people to appointments on the days the hadnybus isn't running.

Representatives from Mental Health, Didsbury Hospital Social Work Program and FCSS workers in Carstairs, Cremona and Didsbury came together in February with Rockyview Regional handybus Society to address the growing need for transportation for low income, disabled and senior members of the communities.

The Tri-Transportation committee is holding a presentation at the Half Century Club next Wednesday evening starting at 7p.m. There will be a second presentation next Thursday at the Didsbury Neighborhood Place at 7p.m.

"We're looking for people that need transportation as well as community groups that may be able to contribute," said Bowman.

The Rockyview Handibus Society is offering a satellite program for 24 months pending funding. The estimated cost to run the bus three days a week between Carstairs, Cremona, Didsbury, Airdrie and Calgary is $60,000. The group anticipates community donations and passenger fares will offset the costs as well as volunteer labour, but says $40,000 to $60,000 a year will be needed from participating municipalities or grants to cover the service.

The goal is to become sustainable and be able to set up a local call centre and have the bus run more often but will all depend on need.

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Avoiding the EI Tax



KEVIN GAUDET

Imagine your neighbour hits you in the head with a hammer, and then says you should be elated that he hit you only once because originally he had planned to hit you three times. This is the kind of argument Finance Minister Flaherty is using to sell his Employment Insurance (EI) tax hike planned for January 1st next year.

In 2008, then Human Resources Minister Monte Solberg made a good policy move by making EI a stand-alone, self-financing fund. Unfortunately, this long overdue move was done just ahead of the recession. This change mixed with higher unemployment and a myriad of new EI spending caused the EI fund to run a deficit. Tax hikes are the government's response to this deficit.

The EI deficit is due in part to the government having added $3 billion in new costs to the program by temporarily extending and increasing benefits, while temporarily adding new training programs. While the government does plan to end the temporary spending, it will not be enough to avoid the EI deficit.

Mr. Flaherty is planning to increase EI premiums by a rate of five cents per $100 of earnings for an employee and seven cents for an employer. He says this planned tax hike should elate Canadians because originally he had planned an even larger tax hike of 15 cents for employees and 21 cents for employers.

Only a politician would find this argument compelling. The government would have Canadians believe that there are only two choices: tax hikes or a continued deficit in EI. There is another alternative: reform the plan and stop using it as a slush fund.

EI ought to work like a real insurance program where one pays premiums against times when one needs to draw income between jobs. EI in Canada doesn't work that way. For those in regions with low unemployment, EI is harder to get and pays less for shorter periods of time. It also funds many programs other than income replacement.

In 2008-09 EI paid out $956 million for skills training; $423 million for job search and counselling services, $246 million for special fishing benefits, $136 million to start self-employed businesses, $87 million in wage subsidies, $49 million in job creation partnerships, $143 million for worker adjustment planning and counselling, $94 million for aboriginal-specific training programs, $56 million to top up work-sharing, $54 million for human resources planning, $38 million for sector councils, $15 million for research on how to better help people find jobs, $1 million for labour market mobility planning and $10 million for youth awareness.

There may be some merit to some of this spending, but it certainly is not 'employment insurance.' It is $2.3 billion of social programming funded by EI premiums. It consumes approximately 12 per cent of premiums every year.

Removing only half of this spending from EI would avoid the government's planned tax hike.

It also merits note that EI costs $1.8 billion just to administer. Perhaps savings might also be found here.

EI increasingly is helping to define the differences between the federal Liberals, Tories and NDP.

The Conservatives want premium hikes. The NDP and Bloc want to increase benefits and make it easier to get. The Liberals want to add a $250 million family care component to the program funded out of general revenue.

Regrettably, all parties' positions devolve to the usual consequence of costing taxpayers even more. Instead, what is needed for EI is real reform, making it a real insurance program instead of the slush fund it has become.

Kevin Gaudet is the federal director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation



Commentary

Accommodate waitlists first

The premier came to a dinner held in his honour in Red Deer on Thursday and he told media that the staffing shortage at Extendicare Michener Hill ìis a learning situation.î He then placed the blame on the appointed body, Alberta Health Services, which he said ihas the responsibility. Iím sure theyíre going to learn from it.î Questions about continuing care continued at the dinner, apparently, when Stelmach was asked by someone in attendance about the provinceís plans for senior care, because there didnít seem to be a proper plan in place at Extendicare Michener Hill.

Board members of the Central Alberta Council on Aging have raised questions during the past years about this changeover with the premier, our two MLAs, the minister for seniors and community supports, the minister of health and wellness and the board member, vice-president and staff of Alberta Health Services, Central Zone.

We reminded them of our previous experience when the patients in the Richard Parsons wing of Red Deer hospital were transferred to Bethany CollegeSide. In that situation it also took many months for the new facility to operate at capacity and up to quality standards. Then as now, experienced staff were laid off, many with longtime service. The new operators refused to transfer them to the new facility and their valuable experience was lost. The new owners unrealistically expected that experienced care staff would transfer to the new facility, accepting lower wages, and no union agreement. A similar situation now prevails at Extendicare with similar results. These actions appear to be an attempt to cut cost at the expense of the patients and the workforce. It seems to be unnoticed or may even be approved by the Stelmach government.

Perhaps this whole unfortunate situation is really a learning situation for the premier and his cabinet colleagues. Perhaps they might learn that their faith in P3s (public-private partnerships) is misplaced. The use and promotion by the Alberta government of P3s is accompanied by the loss of transparency and public accountability and downloading of cost to future generations; it is unacceptable.

The Alberta government has never shown any comparisons or benefits of P3.

Our local example: The public private partnership between Alberta Health and the Wellness and the former David Thompson Health Region and Extendicare, for the design, construction and operation of a ìcommunity of careî at Michener Hill in Red Deer was announced January 2006. It took several years to complete negotiations. The undisclosed conditions of sale of the Michener provincial lands, and the downloading of future mortgage payments on the property to Alberta taxpayers for this project, are serious reasons for our concern. In public private partnerships proprietary conditions leave crucial information hidden and off the public record. They are contrary to the Stelmach and PC policy to remain debt free. The lack of due diligence by the Alberta government to negotiate and deliver a functioning project on time is plain to see. Now four years later the premieris referral of the problem to Alberta Health Services should not allow him and his ministers to play the blame game, and avoid responsibility.

We believe this project is an opportunity for the premier, cabinet and caucus to learn another lesson: privatization of health care does not work and it is the patients and their families who suffer.

Meanwhile around 40 patients are still in Valley Park Manor. They are being looked after by the combined staff from the two Red Deer nursing homes, who had their layoff notices temporarily suspended. Sixty beds are vacant here. Our MLA Jablonski, who is also Minister for Seniors and Community Supports, now has an opportunity to reduce the wait-list. There are 60 empty beds and surplus staff available. These should be filled, since Extendicare will not take any more transfers. The people on the wait-lists can and must be accommodated.

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Commentary

Seniors deserve protection and respect

DAN SINGLETON

With Remembrance Day just around the corner it's a good time of year to recognize the priceless contribution Canada's older generations have made to the well-being and prosperity of each and every province and territory in this country.

Unfortunately, while most Canadians show seniors the respect they rightly deserve, cases of elderly abuse and neglect continue to be seen in far too many communities, including in West Central Alberta.

The federal government has launched a new public awareness campaign – called "It's Time To Face Reality" – aimed at heightening public awareness of senior abuse and its cost to society.

Campaign officials say as with other types of crime, when it comes to elder abuse, members of the general public can make a big difference by becoming aware of the signs and symptoms of senior mistreatment and acting to stop it.

Health Canada says elderly abuse is "any action by someone in a relationship of trust that results in harm or distress to an older person, and neglect is a lack of action by that person in a relationship of trust with the same result."

A big part of the new campaign is trying to make everyone aware of the various types of elder abuse and the warning signs that such things may be occurring.

Physical abuse can include striking, hitting, pushing, shaking, burning, shoving, inappropriate physical and chemical restraints; psychological abuse can include insults, threats, intimidation, humiliation, harassment, and isolation from family, friends or regular activities.

Financial abuse can include misusing or stealing a senior's assets, property or money, cashing an elderly person's cheques without their permission, forging a senior's signature, or sharing the older person's home without paying a fair share of the expenses.

Signs that an elderly person may be being abused can include unexplained physical injuries, poor nutrition or poor hygiene, improper use of medication, sudden drops in cash flow or financial holdings, or a reluctance to speak about concerns.

While it is troubling to think that in this day and age some Alberta seniors are being subject to abuse at the hands of other Albertans, the hard fact is such despicable things are occurring, putting a black stain on this province's good name in the process.

West Central Alberta residents of all ages are encouraged to keep a good eye out for senior abuse and to report it promptly to the authorities.

After all, seniors have done a great deal to make West Central Alberta the great and prosperous place it is today – and they should certainly be given all the protection and respect they deserve as community leaders.

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Old schoolhouse being preserved

BY PAUL FREY
Review Staff

The board of education for Chinook's Edge School Division agreed at its Oct. 13 meeting to write a letter of support for designating the red brick schoolhouse in town as a Provincial Historic Resource. The letter will also ask that the building be listed on the Alberta and Canadian Registry of Historic Places.

The school was built in 1907 and was used as a school up until about 1995.

Ian Taylor, chair of the board, said the division decided to support the application by the Town of Didsbury to preserve it since it represents remarkable architecture.

"This one is exceptional. My concern has always been to preserve it because of its beauty and its historical importance," he said.

The CESD sold the building to the Didsbury Historical Society but put a caveat on it so that if it was subsequently sold again it couldn't be demolished or redeveloped in a way that would detract from its unique historical character.

"As a board we wanted to protect the building," he said.

Earlier this year, the town approached the division about owning the building.

"Because it is . . . a rare architectural gem that has survived over 100 years . . . it is still so vulnerable if nobody cares for it . . . it could be destroyed in a few days," Taylor said, adding that when it was first built, there was nothing around it and the town gradually grew up around it.


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News briefs

Shields concludes Stampede royalty bid

Gillian Shields finished her bid to become a 2011 Calgary Stampede queen or princess as a grateful runner-up.

Shields, a Didsbury High School graduate, made it to the top seven semi-finalists in the competition which wrapped up earlier this month.

She competed in the final riding and speech competitions in Okotoks, Oct. 2. which was followed by a farewell ride for the 2010 Stampede queen and princesses.

Throughout the more than month-long competition, Shields maintained the experience was rewarding and her fellow competitors like family.

ASCHA tracking senior scams

The Alberta Senior Citizens' Housing Association's most recent tally of scams against its members' seniors includes a Didsbury incident.

Through a member incident reporting system, owners and operators of seniors' independent and supportive/assisted living residences have noted 52 scam incidents between January and the first part of September 2010.

The ASCHA represents approximately 60 per cent of the seniors' living sector in Alberta including lodges and manors - 500 residences serving over 25,000 seniors.

Of the 52 incidents reported, 60 per cent were the grandparent scam, also referred to as the grandchild or emergency scam.

The incident reported at Didsbury's Aspen Ridge Lodge in August was a Visa scam.

Other incidents reported throughout the province included inheritance, banking, home sale, mystery shopper, cable, phone and movie investment scams.

ASCHA shares reports of incidents with its entire membership and officials say the system has encouraged many members to hold meetings and sessions to inform and educate staff, residents, and their families of these incidents.

"Sharing, communicating and educating are all key to preventing these incidents from happening in the future," says ASCHA president Jim Hubbard. "Seniors are too often the targets for fraud. ASCHA and its members strive to do their part to protect the residents and tenants within their communities."

Harvest Builders applies for funding

Locally-based Harvest Builders is applying for more affordable housing funding for a proposed build in Sundre.

Sundre's town council was asked for and agreed to send a letter of support for the proposal. No details about the project were released.

Earlier this spring, Harvest Builders was one of 19 applicants to be approved for funding under an amended Canada – Alberta Affordable Housing Program Agreement.

Non-profit organizations, private businesses and municipalities were eligible to apply for the funding through Alberta's affordable housing Request for Proposals (RFP) process which leverages government funding with private-sector dollars.

"The province is proud to partner with the federal government, non-profit and for-profit groups to develop more affordable housing in Alberta," said Honourable Jonathan Denis, Minister of Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs during the May announcement. "These partnerships allow us to build more housing units at less of a cost to the taxpayer, which is particularly important during tough economic times."

Successful applicants receive funding to purchase or build affordable housing units, renovate existing rental units, develop secondary units in private homes or support other options as identified by the community.

Harvest Builders was approved to receive a $1.6 million grant towards a $2.5 million, 20-unit build called Valarosa Park A in Didsbury.

Overall, the federal and provincial governments will be contributing equally to fund $238 million in housing investments under the amended Canada – Alberta Affordable Housing Program Agreement.

The first round of funding allocations which was announced in May, amounted to $70.9 million towards the creation of 886 affordable housing units in Alberta.

In brief

BizPaL launches

Starting and running a business in Didsbury just became easier, say town officials, thanks to BizPaL, a new online business permit and license service.

Didsbury joins 97 other Alberta communities already offering the service.

BizPaL is an innovative project that provides entrepreneurs with simplified access to information on permits and licenses that they need to establish and run their businesses.

This unique partnership between federal, provincial, territorial, regional and local governments is designed to minimize the paperwork burden that small business owners encounter. The Town of Didsbury has partnered with the provincial and federal government to provide a one stop shop to identify all permits that any new business would need.

"Didsbury is the place to grow and we are committed to support new small business by simplifying the start-up process," said mayor Brian Wittal prior to the official launch of the program last Friday.

Business owners will have easier access to information about the permits and licenses they require, enabling them to get the tools they need to succeed more quickly, said Wittal.

"BizPaL simplifies processes at three levels of government, reduces the complexity of regulation and paper work allowing entrepreneurs to focus on their business, not formalities," he said.

Town of Didsbury
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PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:
Organizational Meeting at 7:00 pm, Council Meeting to follow
Tuesday, October 26, 2010 in Council Chambers

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:
Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 4:30 pm in Council Chambers

The Town Office will be closed on November 12, 2010 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS:

DP 10-87	1210 - 20th Ave	Sign - with conditions	IS
DP 10-88	90 Valarosa Drive	Single Family Dwelling - with conditions	R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 403-335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 pm on **November 2, 2010**.

Dani Woodman, Development Officer

HALLOWEEN HOWLER

October 30, 2010 at the Memorial Complex
Spooky swim 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm for a toonie
Family Halloween movie 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
$5.00 a person or $20.00 a family
Teen Fright Fest **6:00 pm - 9:30 pm $7.00** a person



DIDSBURY NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE

- **LITTLE CHEFS:** (6 to 8 years) and **JR. CHEFS** (9 - 12 years) combined class will be on October 26, November 2 and 9 from 3:30 - 4:30 pm. This session will help children learn the tricks of preparing quick, simple, fun-to-make meals that taste great. Cost is $38.00.
- **SPORTS FOR SHORTS** - Looking for an exciting program for preschoolers? Sports For Shorts explores sports like soccer, basketball and other fun indoor activities geared towards 3-5 year olds. This program will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room Monday evenings from November 15 - December 20 from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Cost of the program is $38.00.
- **BUSY BUDDIES** - This program introduces simple games, basic crafts, songs and finger plays for 2-4 year olds. It runs from October 27 - December 1 from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm at Didsbury Neighborhood Place. The cost is $38.00.
- **TODDLER GYM TIME** - Join Town of Didsbury staff for a high energy hour in the Multi-Purpose Room. Check out our age appropriate toys and gym equipment. This program is for children under 3 years old. It will run on Thursday mornings from 9:00 am -10:00 am November 18 - December 23. Cost is $38.00.

Call Didsbury Neighborhood Place 403-335-8719 to register.

PRE-SCHOOL SKATE



Tuesdays and Thursdays from
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2010 FCSS FUNDS

The Town of Didsbury Family & Community Support Services are accepting applications from eligible community groups for additional 2010 FCSS Funds.
Application forms available at www.didsbury.ca.
Funding Deadline: October 22, 2010

For more information, contact:
Nicole Aasen, Manager of Community Services
403-335-8719 or by email: naasen@didsbury.ca

SECURITY SOLUTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF DIDSBURY

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The Olds Commissionaires are now offering a security patrol service for businesses in the Town of Didsbury. For a nominal charge, Commissionaires with a marked vehicle will patrol your property at random intervals between 9:00 pm - 5:00 am to discourage unwanted activity. The service includes free lone-worker monitoring. A Commissionaire will soon be contacting you to tell you about the service and invite you to participate, or you can get the details now by contacting: **403-507-7950 or olds@commissionaires-salta.ca**

How does it work?

- Participating businesses will have the basic patrol charge of $2 per night added to their Town of Didsbury utility bill.
- The lone workers monitoring service is a free service with the patrols.
- There is also a special rate for businesses participating in the basic service who wish to add services such as alarm responses, outside and/or inside foot patrols. The cost for the additional services can also be added to the Town of Didsbury utility bill.

Call for details on any security services for your businesses at 403-507-7950.

Family's pumpkin tradition continues



BY SYLVIA COLE
Review Staff

The Kohut family is already planning for next year's pumpkin festival after siblings Evan and Sophia placed in this year's Carstairs competition.

Sophia, one and a half, won the most perfect pumpkin and Evan, 4, placed first for the largest pumpkin grown outside of Carstairs, weighing in at 24.3 pounds.

The ribbons have been added to the Kohut family collection, a family of proud pumpkin festival competitors.

"Me and my brothers and sisters, there's four of us. We were all into the pumpkin festival when we were little," said Evan's father Rick Kohut. "We always tried to grow the biggest pumpkin and we competed against each other."

Rick placed first in the 1991 pumpkin festival for his 137-pound gourd. Watching his son place first this year, Rick's certain Evan will be hooked to the festival now too.

"He was stoked about it, he was totally happy (about winning) He was like 'yeah, I'm just like you dad.'" Rick hopes to see his children compete against each other as the years go on.

Sophia and Evan planted the seeds last spring on the same patch of soil Rick grew his winning pumpkin out on his parents' farm just east of Didsbury.

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In and Around Didsbury

Marge St Clair

Fri. Oct. 22

Cribbage play starts at 7 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. You are welcome to join in the cards and to enjoy the coffee and goodies served.

Call Didsbury Neighborhood Place for a planning meeting on Wed. Oct. 20 and then to cook on Oct. 27. This is a chance to cook and freeze seven different dishes which, if the recipe is doubled, you can take home 14 meals. There is a charge. Please phone (403) 335-8719 to register and all the info.

Sat. Oct. 23

The annual Garage Sale put on by the Bergen Church Ladies is being held today. Please bring your donations to the hall on Fri. Oct. 22 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. There is always a great selection of baking, preserves, plants, etc. All proceeds support Kids to Camp. Come one, come all.

The Friends of the Didsbury Library have a great musical evening planned starting at 7 p.m. in the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex. This will feature an opening by the D.H.S. Jazz Band to be followed by the Woodhouse Big Band. There will also be a silent auction and snacks. Tickets from Marge Steckler (403) 335-4281, Don MacMillan (403) 335-8697 or at the Library (403) 335-3142. All funds raised will help support the library programs.

Mon. Oct. 25

The annual general meeting of the 5-0 Club will start at 1:30 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. All members are urged to attend.

Wed. Oct. 27

Connie's Foot Care will be at the 5-0 Club. Please phone (403) 861-7826 for an appointment.

The coffee and conversation afternoons from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. start at the Museum. Everyone welcome.

Thurs. Oct. 28

All seniors attending Eldon Foote Hall after the doors open at 1:30 p.m. will enjoy the Bingo Session today, followed by refreshments and visiting.

Fri. Oct. 29

This is the afternoon of the "Pie Tea" at Aspen Ridge Lodge starting at 2 p.m. The "Friends of Aspen Ridge" will welcome one and all.

Sat. Oct. 30

The Didsbury Ag Society's Annual Christmas Market is being held today from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the MP Room at the Complex. Lunch is available.

The Mountainview Colts are at home tonight to play against the Ponoka Stampeders. Your cheers will be much appreciated.

Sun. Oct. 31

This is the evening for a journey to the "Haunted Barn" at the Mullen Farm located 1 mile east of Hwy. 2A on the Bergen Road. Admission by cash donation to be used for upgrading the Rosebud Hall.

Come and skate with us. Skating programs for children of all ages. Deadline for registration is Nov. 1. Visit us at www.didsburyfigureskating.com or please phone Rose (403) 335-8571.

Notes from the Didsbury Golf Club

1. Junior Club Champion – Cole Robertson
2. Ladies' Champion – Audrey Campbell
3. Men's Champion – Bruce Dunn
4. Club Windup Winners – Dave Blazenko, Andy Sweetman, Sheila Kabatoff, Shaun Waite
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100. Obituaries 100. Obituaries

Donalda Ruth Block



Born February 26, 1930 in Leduc, Alberta. Passed away October 7, 2010 at her daughter's farm west of Didsbury with her family at her side. She was raised on a farm in Turtleford, Saskatchewan. After leaving Turtleford, she met Roy Block and they were married in 1952. After living in Saskatchewan for six years, they moved west of Didsbury where they farmed. Donalda was also a nurse's aide in Didsbury for many years. Donalda sold the farm in 1997 and moved to Didsbury where she enjoyed retirement and travelling. She is survived by sister Gwen, brother Don, Sons, Norman (Eloise), Lester (Katherine), Doug (Tracy), Daughter Kathy (Mike), Grandchildren, Jenny (Clive), Kevin (Sherry), Sarah (Rory), Jeff (Nicole), Steven (Miranda), Matt, Janice, Sandra and great-grandchildren Mason and Asha.

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100. Obituaries

WEIBE, GEORGE
1930 - 2010

It is with great sadness that Douglas (Heather) and Ronald (Sheila) announce the passing of our beloved father, George who slipped away from us on Oakville, Ontario on Saturday October 9, 2010 in his 80th year. His warmth and generosity will be missed by his grandchildren, Liam, Connor, Sarah and Melissa. He is survived by his sisters, Louise and Mary in Alberta, and his close and dear friend Betty Rogers. He'll be greatly missed by many nieces and nephews and extended family. He was predeceased by his four siblings, John, Jake, Helen and Ann, all who resided in Alberta where his parents settled after fleeing the Russian Revolution in 1925. George was the only family member born in Canada. George had a long and varied career with Royal Trust Co. where he started out as a clerk and rose to become a Vice President. His career with Royal Trust spanned fifty years and he made many fast and loyal friends within the industry. He was a long-term member of the University Club of Toronto. To all those that added quality to George's life, our hearfelt appreciation. A graveside service in the family plot at Last Rest Cemetary near Didsbury, Alberta took place on October 16, 2010. If desired, expressions of sympathy to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be sincerely appreciated by the family. Arrangements by Smith's Funeral Home, Burlington, Ontario. Phone 1-905-632-3333 www.smithsfh.com

CURRIE – Vimy Cavell (nee Rowell)
May 24, 1917 – October 10, 2010

Vimy Currie passed away on Sunday, October 10, 2010 at the age of 93 years.
Vimy was born in Olds, AB and resided in Olds, Calgary and Didsbury before finally retiring to Calgary. Vimy and her husband Jim owned and operated the Didsbury Pioneer Newspaper for many years. Vimy began travelling extensively in the 1970s and visited countless countries throughout the world by freighters and cruise ships for months at a time. In the 1980s Vimy began spending her winters in Indian Harbour Beach, Florida and continued until the mid 1990s. For the past fifteen years she lived a healthy, happy life with her family and friends.
Vimy is survived by her grandson Jim Hirst, her granddaughter Heather Hirst and her son-in-law Tom Hirst.
She was predeceased by her husband Jim, her son Jimmie, her daughter Mary Lou and eight brothers and sisters.
Funeral Services were held at McINNIS & HOLLOWAY'S Park Memorial Chapel (5008 Elbow Drive S.W.) on Friday, October 15, 2010 at 2:30 p.m. Forward condolences through www.mcinnisandholloway.com.
In living memory of Vimy Currie, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES Park Memorial Chapel, 5008 ELBOW DRIVE S.W. Telephone: (403) 243-8200.

150. Birthdays/Anniversaries



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180. Thank You

HEARTFELT THANK YOU

We would like to thank all the people who supported our Brother Allan James Dowell the past twenty months.

The staff of the Tom Baker Centre and the Didsbury Hospital for the wonderful care he received.

To the friends and relatives who supported us after Allan's death. Thank you to the many people who sent cards, flowers, and the many phone calls.

We will always remember the outpouring of support of the people of the community.

Marj
Bruce, Colleen, Jon, Brad, Dave
Dwayne, Lillian, Daniel, Shane, Megan, Cody
Bonnie, Mike, Tanya, Kurtis, Tim

Thank You

The Family of Donna Block would sincerely like to Thank family & friends for all there support during this time. Kind words, cards, food were all much appreciated. Special Thanks to Dr Andrew Jackson, Didsbury Home Care Nurses, Rev Nancy Nourse, organist Doreen McEwen and the Ladies of the Knox U.C.W.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the community for the amazing support provided to us in the loss of Ashley and Samantha's father. To all of you who called, visited, sent meals, flowers, or contributed to the Children's Education Trust Fund, we are grateful.

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Sylvia Cole/Didsbury Review

Stuart Hooper and Henry Brown and Dave Smith joined the Brown family this month to help stook grain using traditional methods.

Farmers revisit antique techniques for harvest

BY SYLVIA COLE
Review Staff

"Hyah hyah" yelled out Lyle Brown as he pushed against a Percheron. Brown, working with family members Tracy and Jon Ewert was bringing four work horses into a close line and hooking them up to a 1920 John Deere binder in a wheat field just outside of Carstairs.

Four grandchildren kicked pebbles around in the driveway a couple of hundred feet away and glanced over every now and then to see what was happening.

The family was prepping for their yearly tradition of harvesting roughly five acres of grain using older farm equipment and horses to get the work done.

As Brown saddled up to the seat and grabbed the reins in his hands, a feisty horse took off, and the others galloped with him.

Brown swung back in his seat, holding tightly to the reins and stayed on as the horses ran across the field in the opposite direction from where they were supposed to do the work.

Brown was able to slow the horses down and bring them to a halt and Tracy and Jon rushed over.

The machine was now overstuffed with grain and one of the bridles had broken.

"That's not supposed to happen," explained Tracy, who said one of the horses spooks easily from noise and they hoped by putting him in the middle of the pack he would follow the lead of the other horses.

Tracy put on gloves and started pulling piles of grain from the machine while John and Brown attended to the horses.



Jaekyun Im/Didsbury Review

64-year-old Lyle Brown drives four horses to hook them with a binder for harvesting wheat in Barthall Monday. Brown often harvests with horses to keep up heritage.

"This is part of it. Back in the day if this happened, it was just another thing you had to deal with," explained Tracy.

The family, who has lived in the area for generations, said they do this every year for a reason.

"It's to restore the heritage and keep it alive," explained Lyle, who doesn't want his children or grandchildren to lose sight of the history and tradition behind farming. "It's important for them to know how to do this," he explained. Every year Lyle brings out his Percherons and gets the machine that his father restored out on the field.

"It's a great community event too," said Lyle's wife Betty, who said every year people in the community ask when they're going to get started with the harvest. People from around the area enjoy coming out and helping stook the grain.

Stuart Hooper, 92, Henry Brown, 88, and Dave Smith arrived last Tuesday afternoon to help arrange the bundles into groups of eight.

The three remember stooking grain by hand 70 years ago.

"Well I realized today I'm not quite as strong as I used to be," said Hooper, laughing as he bent over with a pitchfork to grab the bundles and arrange them in groups. Brown and Hooper taught youngsters Lyle and cousin Rob a trick to stooking. They put a final bundle on the top, sloping down.

"That way if it rains or snows the water runs down," said Hooper, who explained the purpose of stooking is to allow the grain to dry.

Hooper said in the 30s and 40s he helped work on Dave Smith's father's farm and Brown did as well. The two said they could stook about 20 acres a day earning 25 cents an hour, or $2.50 a day.

The three agree on the importance of keeping the tradition alive and teaching younger generations the art of doing the harvesting by hand.

"Back then it was all community support," said Hooper, explaining that the community worked together on each other's farms to make sure everything was completed.

The next step of the process will be threshing when everyone will collect the dried grain bundles and have them put into a thresher that separates the edible part of the grain from the straw. That will be done in the next few weeks.



Jaekyun Im/Olds Albertan

CANADIAN FOOD BANK- Volunteers take a break during yesterday's harvest of a crop south of Didsbury from which the proceeds will be donated to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank in front of their combines on a barley field near Didsbury. Eleven combines took the crop off.

Plane crash still under review

BY DAN SINGLETON
Review Staff

The investigation into a plane crash that killed three men northwest of Sundre on September 24 is continuing on several fronts, says John Pearson, senior investigator with Transportation Safety Board of Canada air branch.

As of late last week, investigators still had not determined what caused the Cirrus SR-22 to slam into a cattle pasture about eight kilometres northwest of Sundre and burst into flames, he said.

Chuck Matson, 51 of Calgary, Stephen Brosseau, 43, of Spruce Grove, and a 42-year-old Edmonton man died at the scene.

The investigation is taking place using the so-called three-corner technique, Pearson explained, with investigators looking at the aircraft, the pilot and any environmental factors.

"Looks like we will be gathering information on this for quite some time," said Pearson. "Our Ottawa lab has some of the plane's components, parts of the airplane engines and the like, and we have some here (in Edmonton) and we are examining those. And we are working with statements of individuals who may have seen the aircraft and with the maintenance records of the plane. And we are looking into the pilots' records as well."

An eyewitness to the crash, Lance Dejax, said he saw the plane spiral into the ground. A massive fireball followed immediately after the crash.

The single-engine aircraft was built in 2005. It had left the Springbank airport, west of Calgary, and flew directly to the crash site area.

Asked if investigators have so far been able to rule anything out as a possible cause, he said it is known that the aircraft did not run out of fuel.

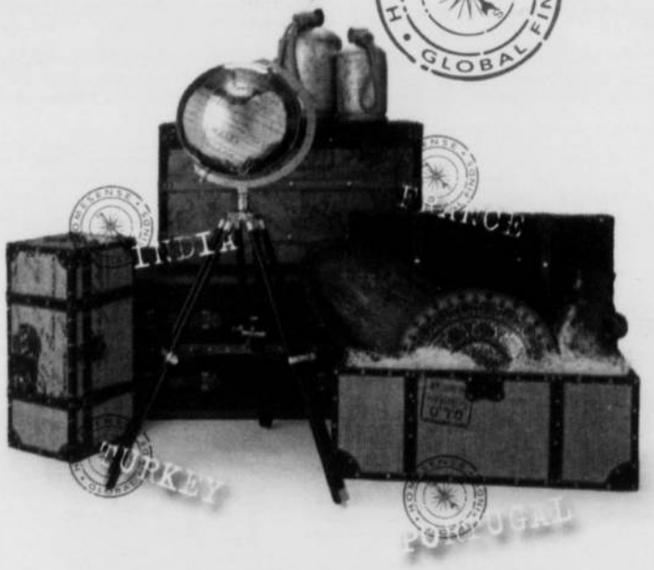
"We can pretty well rule that out with the intense post impact fire. There was plenty of fuel on board," he said.

Investigators have determined that the aircraft's ballistic recovery system (a parachute for the entire aircraft) deployed on impact, not before, he said.

Investigators have yet to determine who was flying the plane - two of the deceased were experienced pilots and one was a student pilot.

Although the aircraft did not have flight-data and cockpit voice recorders (sometimes called 'black boxes', although they are actually orange), investigators are hoping that some information about the flight can be gleaned from an examination of computer chips in the aircraft's control panels.

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CITIZENS ON PATROL - Didsbury/Carstairs. Driving in a neighbourhood near you.
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - Membership meetings are the 2nd Wed. in June, September, November, and January. For more info please call 403-335-3265.

DIDSBURY TOPS Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Judy Coutts at 403-335-2212 or Rosemary 403-335-2835

BEAVERS Tues. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

KING HIRAM LODGE #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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DIDSBURY SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES Co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 403-335-4391.

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DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC - Provides free accessible mental health services. Which incl. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. - Fri. 8:30-4:00.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Meetings Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 21 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Donna at 403-335-8733 or Rick at 403-335-9525.

HALL RENTALS: Rosebud Hall rentals. Call 403-335-9945 or 403-335-4606.

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DIDSBURY LIFELINE Emergency Response System - Shirley 403-335-3787, Don 403-335-4676.

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ALANON: For family and friends of alcoholics. Alice 403-556-5911, Reg 403-337-3762.

DIDSBURY AND AREA SUPPORT GROUP For friends and families of people with Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia. Join us the last Monday of each month, 7-9 p.m. Aspen Ridge Lodge, 1100 - 20 Ave., Didsbury. 403-335-9848. Dolina Watson, 403-335-7285.



DIDSBURY & DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES AUXILIARY monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in Unit 4 at the hospital.

ADULT HALL WALKING at Westglen School from 6:30pm to 7:30pm from Monday to Friday. Please wear clean dry shoes. For more information call Cindy at 403-335-9437.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM OPEN 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tues and Wed.; Sat. 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. By appointment:
Jim 403-335-0003 or Shirley 403-335-3277

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DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE supper meetings every 2nd and 4th thursdays. Supper at 7:00 p.m. meeting at 8:00 p.m. Call 403-335-4655.

SUPPER INVITATION - The Didsbury Lions Club welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month, 6:45 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. For information and to RSVP call 403-335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

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FRIDAYS - Cribbage starts at 5-0 Club at 7:00 pm. tfn

BABY DROP-IN Didsbury Neighborhood Place. The 4th Wednesday of every month from 9:00-10:00 am. Great oppportunity to have baby weighed, talk to public nurse, meet other parents. tfn

HUNTINGTONS Are you or someone you love affected by HD? I am looking to start up a support group in the Didsbury area. If you are interested contact Kim Rauhala 403-335-9520. tfn

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"BRING OUT THE BEST IN KIDS!" Mountain View Optimists meets Tuesdays 7:30 pm at Sandy's in Olds. mountainviewoptimists@gmail.com

FRIENDS OF ASPEN RIDGE- Fall Pie Tea, Friday October 29th. 2:00pm. Aspen Ridge Lodge. Come one come all. 43

BERGEN CHURCH LADIES- GARAGE SALE - Bergen Hall, Saturday October 23/10, 10:00am-2:30pm. 42

TO YOUR HEALTH - Citizens for Choice in Health Care is hosting a meeting at the Legion Boardroom, Olds, Saturday, October 23rd, 1:30pm. Everyone welcome. 42

RUGBY TURKEY SUPPER - November 14/10. 2-6pm Info: 403-335-4248 or 403-335-8767 42-45

Church Directory

The REVIEW is pleased to provide this Church Directory as a community service

Anglican Church of Canada
St. Cyprian's
2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury - 403-335-4664
Rector - Bev Bonnie S. Luft
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.
Mid-week service every third Wednesday 9:30 a.m.
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1406 - 19th Avenue
Minister Nancy Nourse
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Pastor Trevor Kriaka, info - 403-337-2020
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
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For more information ph. - 403-335-4451

Redeemer Lutheran
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Church: 403-335-3161 / Res: 403-335-3656
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Adult Bible Study Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 1 & 3 Sunday 10:30 a.m.
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Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church
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For information concerning the weekly activities please call the Church Office.

St. Anthony's Catholic
2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury
For more information please contact
Claude Baril 403-335-3842
Catholic Women's League:
Wendy MacKenzie 403-335-8507
Knights of Columbus: Gary McNeil 403-335-8611

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John Reimer, Associate Pastor
Colin Creighton, Associate Pastor
Christine Little, Child Mistries Director
Alison LeFebvre, Youth Director
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SMALL BUSINESS WEEK 2010

Small Business Week is a 30 year tradition

Small and medium-sized businesses are the engine of the Canadian economy. They make up 97.5% of all companies and employ the lion's share of workers.

To celebrate the contributions and achievements of entrepreneurs, the Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) has organized Small Business Week in the third week of October for over 30 years.

During the week, businesspeople come together at events such as conferences, luncheons and trade fairs to learn, network and socialize in the company of their peers.

Last year, hundreds of activities were organized across Canada attracting more than 10,000 businesspeople.

With the support of sponsors from the private and public sectors, BDC branches play an active role in planning and publicizing activities in their areas.

Small Business Week takes place October 17 – 23.

Power Up Your Business. Invest. Innovate. Grow.

The economy is recovering and that means entrepreneurs should be gearing up to seize new opportunities. They need to hone their competitive edge with dynamic plans and a renewed commitment to meeting the needs of a rapidly changing marketplace.

The theme of Small Business Week 2010 — Power Up Your Business. Invest. Innovate. Grow — reflects the opportunities and challenges facing entrepreneurs as the economy builds steam.

It's a chance for a fresh start with bright ideas, charged-up operations, and a re-energized team eager to break into new markets here and abroad.

At this year's Small Business Week, it's all about entrepreneurs going for it!



SMALL BUSINESS WEEK 2010

House of Hair, Ray of Insight win awards at gala banquet

BY SYLVIA COLE
Review Staff

House of Hair went home from the small business gala with the small business of the year award.

"We were very surprised and pleasantly surprised," said owner Kim Visser. "This was our first year nominated so that was a surprise in itself ... we didn't expect this."

"Just wow," said co-owner Shelley Trottier.

House of Hair has been in Didsbury for the last 30 years. The two credit their staff for their success, saying the team works well together.

Also awarded Saturday night was Ray of Insight for the new business of the year but owners were unable to attend the presentation. This was the first year for the award and Margo Ward, chamber of commerce president, said she expects more nominations next year as more businesses meet the requirements of being open for at least 18 months but no longer than three years.

The Didsbury and District Historical Society took home the final award, the not for profit society of the year. Rob Steer accepted the award and said, "We are thrilled and on behalf of the society appreciate the recognition of our hard work."

The awards followed dinner and presentations from MP Blake Richards, MLA Richard Marz, county councillor Al Kemmere and Mayor Brian Wittal who all echoed their support for the yearly event and praised the entrepreneurial spirit in Didsbury.

Ward announced she would be stepping down as chamber president and in a tearful goodbye said she loved every minute of the position.

Things lightened up with entertainment by Sheldon Casavant who performed a series of magic tricks. He started by transforming the mayor's $100 bill into a $5 bill. After tucking it into his jacket pocket, Wittal went after him to get it back but Casavant quickly turned it back into the original. Cassavant read minds, had a table levitate and got himself out of a straitjacket and made a balloon animal within 60 seconds.

The night ended with the silent auction winners being revealed. All the money raised went to the Peer Support Services for abused women in Didsbury.



Sylvia Cole/Didsbury Review
Kim Visser and Shelley Trottier of House of Hair accept the small business of the year award at Saturday's Small Business Week Gala.



Sylvia Cole/Didsbury Review
Rob Steer accepts teh not for profit society of the year award for the Didsbury and District Historic Society during Saturday's Small Business Week Gala.

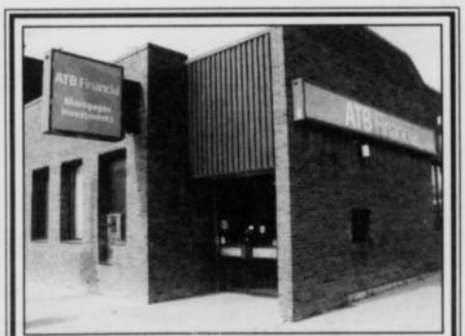
New business of the year:



Ralene Papke is a Registered Clinical Hypnotherapist and the owner of A Ray of Insight. Ralene worked as a hairstylist and esthetician in Didsbury for 8 years. In the summer of 2008 she had to break away from what she loved due to her severe allergies with chemicals. She knew she wanted to continue to serve people and assist them in feeling and looking great. But she didn't know what step to take first.

In October 2008 she enrolled in her first Self Hypnosis Course and knew from there she had to continue her education of learning about the mind. She finished her 12 courses to become a Registered Clinical Hypnotherapist in June 2009. She has since furthered her knowledge of Health and Wellness and specializes in Weight Release but also assists her clients in Fears, Phobias, Smoking Cessation, and releasing Negative Emotions.

With her advanced education and desire to give back to the community and people around her she now serves her purpose of assisting others to reach their goals. There is nothing like experiencing the sunshine, especially when it is coming from within.



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Not for profit registered society nominees:

The Didsbury & District Historical Society



The historical society was founded in 1978 to oversee operations of the Didsbury Museum. It was founded with the objectives of P.R.I.D.E. Preserve, Research, Interpret, Display and Educate. It was established to tell the story of the founding, settlement and development of the community in and around the Town of Didsbury from the late 1800s to present.

The Historical Society operates under the guidance of a Board of Directors and its work is carried out primarily by volunteers. They hold fundraisers to keep up with repairs and production of more exhibits. There is always much work to be done to their building as it was built in the early 1900s. The museum moved to the "The Old Red Brick School House" in 1989, which was a perfect continuation of its long history from school house, to temporary hospital, to training area during WWII. The beautiful two-story brick and sandstone building was designated a Historic Building in the summer of 1997. In 2006 the historical society was able to acquire the title to the public school building to make it the museum's permanent home.

There are many man hours put in by volunteers to keep the repairs and renovations going and by doing so they continually give back to the residence of the Town of Didsbury and the surrounding area by preserving our history for future generations. Residents of Didsbury are always encouraged to drop in and take a look, and it is a great way for our children and grandchildren to understand their history.



The Didsbury Elks

The Didsbury Elks Lodge was established in 1967 and is a member of the BPOE of Canada. BPOE stands for the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and was established to enhance our community, provide leadership, and assist is any way they can especially where it involves children.

The Didsbury Elks have been involved in many aspects of our community over the past 42 years. They assisted with the rebuilding of the arena when it was destroyed by fire, they assisted with the building of the bowling greens and have contributed funding towards many other projects as the building of the tennis courts, playground equipment, hospital equipment, toys for children in the hospital, fire department equipment, scholarships, the drug awareness and teasing & bullying programs, and have been the sponsor for the Didsbury Cadet Corp. in Didsbury since it's inception.

Their main focus is children, and making their lives easier when they are faced with adversities. They assist children whose families are in distress (victims of fire loss), have special needs (bikes for physically handicapped) as well as those with hearing impairments (hearing systems) to name a few. The Elks are also involved in ISTAR, which is the Alberta Stuttering Institute which puts both adults and children into an atmosphere and learning system where they can improve their lives by controlling and/or curing their stuttering.

The Elks of Canada is affiliated with Habitat for Humanity and some of the Didsbury Lodge members have helped with builds by volunteering time and donations in Didsbury and Red Deer. The Didsbury Elks have an annual charity golf tournament which raises money for worthy causes locally, and this year raised $2,000 for the Habitat for Humanity build in Didsbury.

The members are also very involved in funding community service functions which include a Mother's Day Breakfast, the annual pancake breakfast, the Didsbury parade on rodeo weekend, and the Children's Christmas party to name a few.

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Small business of the year nominee:

Didsbury Value Drug Mart

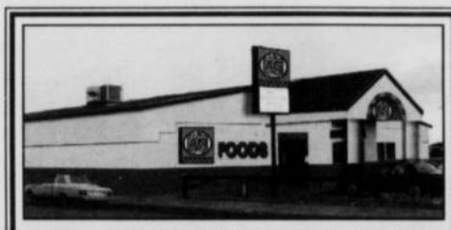


Didsbury Value Drug Mart is owned by Brad and Dionne Blatz and was opened in December 2006 when they purchased the established business from Bill and Margo Ward. They completed an extensive renovation in 2007, which included an expanded front store and the addition of a medical clinic.

Value Drug Mart offers a variety of services including pharmacy, giftware, home healthcare, cosmetics and housewares. They strive to provide excellent customer service and a friendly environment and they credit their wonderful staff as the key to their continued success.

Brad and Dionne pride themselves on strong community involvement. Dionne is a director with the Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce and Brad is a director with the Rosebud Health Foundation and the Town of Didsbury Economic Development Committee. They support a variety of community groups and clubs, including local schools, minor sports clubs, Rosebud Health Foundation, Didsbury Cemetery Committee, Didsbury Ag Society, local 4H clubs, and the Didsbury Museum.

In addition to the business, Brad and Dionne are kept busy with their two children, three-year old son Kaleb and one-year old daughter Reese. They are also a billet family for the Olds Grizzlys Junior Hockey team and currently have two young men, Brandon and Kevin, living with them in Didsbury.

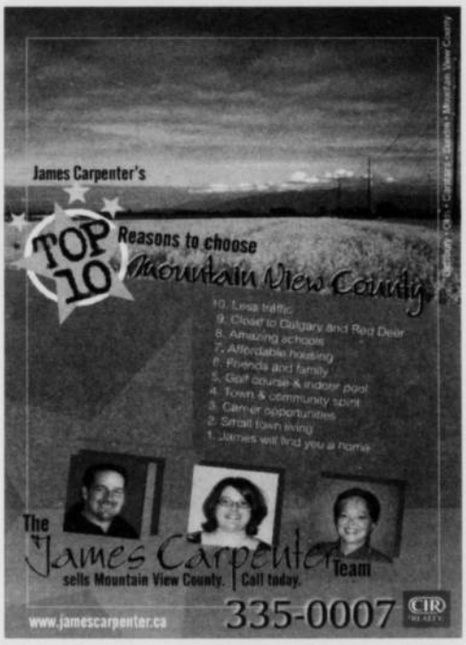


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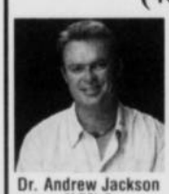
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Small business of the year nominee:

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The original business was located where Medallion Trophies is now, but after three years they had outgrown that space, so they purchased the building next door, renovated, and moved into to the much roomier space they have now.

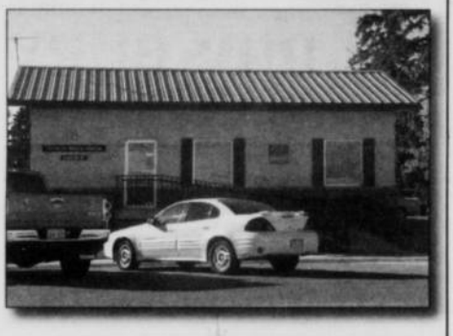
Victoria's has two other employees, Brenda (Gord's sister) and Betty. They all work very hard striving to provide the best product and service for their customers while making each order as individual as their customers are. Due to the quality of product and service their businesses has grown through customer referrals. Victoria's is also an FTD Florist.

The business supports many local causes, the Didsbury chamber, the Didsbury Elks, and the Didsbury Royal Purple to name a few and Gord has remained very involved with youth organizations in our area.

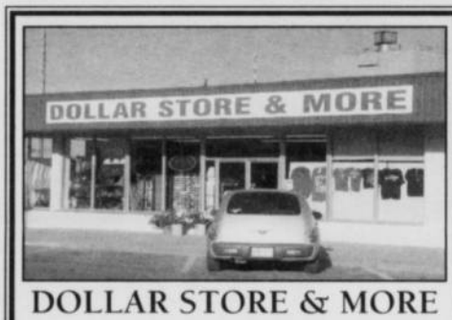


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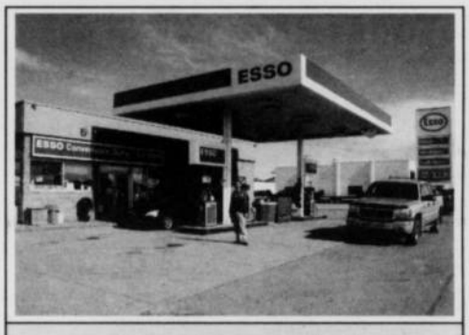
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Small business of the year nominee:

The Green Bamboo



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Don and May, along with their staff pride themselves on their quality of food and their friendly customer service. They currently have a staff of only four so they are kept very busy.

They are members of the Didsbury and District Chamber of Commerce as well as supporting other local events as the Didsbury Farmers' Bonspiel and charities such as Stars Ambulance.

Along with the restaurant, Don and May are kept busy with their two daughters, Cheryl and Emily.



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Small business of the year nominee:

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Shelley has worked as a hair stylist since 1987 and Kim since 1995, and felt that they could grow a business in Didsbury with their combined experience and work ethic. There are currently 6 working at the shop altogether, the owners plus Beryl Engel (who has been with them 14 years), Jo Lowes (8 years), Chloe Kary (3 years), and Jackie Shields who has just joined the staff.

Along with their years of experience, Shelley bases their success on the attitude of all of the staff who work so well together and are always there to help one another whenever they can. Their business has grown primarily through referrals from their customers and they pride themselves on standing by their motto of Quality Work at Quality Prices.

All of the staff is involved in the community through their children and their own activities, which brings them into hockey, figure skating, slow pitch, rodeo etc. The business supports these causes along with many others, including the library.

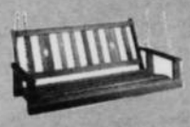


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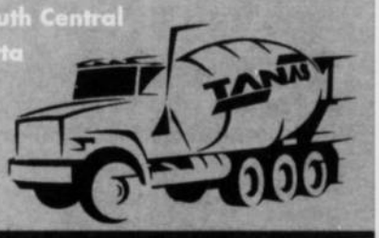
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They are involved in the community through sponsorship of the Didsbury Ag Society, Gillian Shields (Rodeo Competitor & Former Sundre Queen), Didsbury Curling Club, DHS & Related Scholarship Funds, school band and camp, Didsbury Golf Club, the Mountain View Music Fest, etc.

Gil is also very active in the Ride for Dad Fund Raiser for Prostate Cancer and is in his 3rd year of participation. He is very active in the planning of the ride and is a Ride Captain for one of the ride areas. He is also a volunteer with the Didsbury Show and Shine committee.

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An impressive line-up with impressive offers are right here, right now.

0% APR FOR UP TO **60** MONTHS on select 2011 models PURCHASE FINANCING

plus

NO EXTRA CHARGE **WINTER** SAFETY PACKAGE††

- Winter Tires
- Steel Rims
- Tire Pressure Monitoring System

with the purchase or lease of select 2010/2011 models.



SE model shown

2011 **FIESTA** S 4-DOOR
with **No-Extra Charge Winter Safety Package††**

Own for only **$119 @ 6.99%** APR
Twice a month financed over 72 months
with $400 down payment.
Offer includes $1,350 freight.

Best in Class On Fuel
BEST-IN-CLASS FUEL ECONOMY‡
4.9L/100 KM HWY
6.8L/100 KM CITY



2011 **FOCUS** SE 4-DOOR
with **No-Extra Charge Winter Safety Package††**

Own for only **$139 @ 2.99%** APR
Twice a month financed over 72 months
with $750 down payment.
Offer includes $1,450 air tax and freight.

Eligible consumers can receive an additional **$1,000** in price adjustments.
Recycle your Ride Incentive $1,000*

Includes Sport Appearance Package with Fog Lamps, Rear Decklid Spoiler and 15" Alloy Wheels. Also includes No-Extra Charge Heated Seats.



2011 **FUSION** SE AUTO
with **No-Extra Charge Winter Safety Package††**

Own for only **$199 @ 3.99%** APR
Twice a month financed over 72 months
with $0 down payment.
Offer includes $1,450 air tax and freight.

Eligible consumers can receive an additional **$2,000** in price adjustments.
Recycle your Ride Incentive $1,000*
Costco Member Incentive $1,000*

AVAILABLE EXCLUSIVELY FROM FORD



Only Ford lets you recycle your **2003 or older** vehicle and get up to **$3,300*** towards most new Ford vehicles.

This offer is in addition to incentives currently offered when combined with the $300 available from the Retire Your Ride program, funded by the Government of Canada on qualifying vehicles of model year 1995 or older. Incentives range from $1000 to $3000. Visit ford.ca for details.

In Partnership with SummerHill DIRECT, Car Heaven, Retire Your Ride Canada's Vehicle Recycling Program

MEMBERS GET AN ADDITIONAL
COSTCO WHOLESALE **$1,000 OFF***



ON MOST 2010 AND 2011 FORD VEHICLES. VISIT FORDCOSTCO.CA

Ford

Everything you want is right here, right now only at your Alberta Ford Store or visit albertaford.ca today.

Drive one.
albertaford.ca

Dealer may sell or lease for less. Limited time offer. Offers may be cancelled at any time without notice. See your Ford Dealer for complete details or call the Ford Customer Relationship Centre at 1-800-565-3673. Inventory varies by dealer. Dealer order or transfer may be required. ◆ Receive 0% APR purchase financing on new 2011 Ford Fusion (excluding S), Edge (excluding SE), Escape (excluding 4-Manual), Focus (excluding S), Taurus (excluding SE), Flex (excluding SE) models for a maximum of (48)/(60) months to qualified retail customer, or approved credit (OAC) from Ford Credit. Not all buyers will qualify for the lowest interest rate. Example: $25,000 purchase financed at 0% APR for 48/60 months, monthly payment is $416.67/$333.33, cost of borrowing is $0 or APR of 0% and total to be repaid is $25,000. Down payment or purchase financing offers may be required based on approved credit from Ford Credit. Taxes payable on full amount of purchase price. ††† Receive a winter safety package, which includes: four (4) Winter Tires, four (4) steel Rims, and one (1) tire pressure monitoring system, when you purchase or lease any new 2010/2011 Ford Focus, Fusion, Escape or 2011 Fiesta on or before Nov. 30/10. Customers choosing to opt out of the no extra charge winter safety package will qualify for $800 in customer cash. This offer is not applicable to any Fleet (other than small fleets with an eligible FBL) or Government delivery and not combinable with CPA, GPP, EPP or Daily Rental Allowances. Some conditions apply. See Dealer for details. Vehicle handling characteristics, tire load index and speed rating may not be the same as factory supplied all season tires. Winter tires are meant to be operated during winter conditions and may require a higher cold inflation pressure than all season tires. Consult your Ford of Canada dealer for details including applicable warranty coverage. ‡ Source: Transport Quebec, 2005. Braking tests were performed at -20°F (-6°C) on a road covered with packed snow and ice. Vehicle equipped with winter tires stopped on average 11.6 meters (38 feet) sooner than vehicle equipped with all season tires. Based on a sub-compact vehicle. † Receive 6.99%/1.99%/1.99%/1.99%/1.99% APR purchase financing on new 2011 Ford Fiesta S 4-door manual/2011 Focus SE 4-door manual with Open Appearance Package 700A/Fusion SE Automatic/2011 Escape XLT 4-4L/Automatic for a 72 month term to qualified retail customer, on approved credit (OAC) from Ford Credit. Not all buyers will qualify for the lowest APR payment. Purchase financing monthly payment is $238/$277/$295/$299 (Monthly payment divided by two gives you a twice monthly payment of $119/$139/$199/$299) with a down payment of $400/$750/$0/$1,000 and no trade-in. Down payment may be required based on approved credit. Cost of borrowing is $1,864/$2,209/$3,126/or APR of 6.99%/1.99%/1.99%/1.99%% and total to be repaid is $17,114/$19,959/$28,460/$28,291. All purchase finance offers exclude freight and (where applicable) air tax ($1,350/$1,450/$1,450/$1,500), but exclude license, fuel fill charge, insurance, PDI, registration, PPSA, administration fees, any environmental charges or fees, and all applicable taxes. All prices are based on Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price. Taxes are payable on the full amount of the purchase price. Twice a month payments are only available through Internet banking and telephone banking, if offered by your financial institution. The customer is required to sign a monthly payment contract to ensure that the total monthly payment occurs by payment due date. Twice a month payments can be made by making two (2) payments of 50% of the monthly payment by the monthly payment due date. ▼ Program in effect from Oct. 1/10, to Jan. 3/11 (the "Program Period"). To qualify for a Ford Recycle Your Ride Program ("RYR") rebate ("Rebate") [*], customer must qualify for and take part in either the "Better Your Ride Program" delivered by Cumminsfall Impact with financial support from the Government of Canada, or Summerhill Impact's "Car Heaven Program". To qualify for the "Better Your Ride Program", which offers $300 cash or rebate on the purchase of a 2004 or newer vehicle, customer must turn in a 1999 model year or older vehicle in running condition (able to start and move) which has been properly registered and insured for the last 6 months (12 months in B.C.) to an authorized recycler. To qualify for the "Car Heaven Program", customer must turn in a 1981 model year or older vehicle in running condition which has been registered and insured for the last 6 months to an authorized recycler. If a customer qualifies for Car Heaven or Better Your Ride, Ford of Canada ("Ford") will provide an additional Rebate, with the purchase or lease of an eligible new 2010/2011 Ford or Lincoln vehicle, in the amount of $1,000/$2,000/$3,300 (Focus (excluding 2011 S), Fusion (excluding 2011 S), Mustang (excluding Shelby GT500) and 2011 Motor Leader), Transit Connect, Ranger (excluding 2011 XL) [*], $1,000/$2,000/$3,300 (Taurus (excluding 2011 SEL), Escape (excluding 2011 XLT 4-4L/Manual), Edge (excluding 2011 SE), Flex (excluding 2011 SE), Explorer (excluding 2011 Base models), Sport Trac, or $3,000/$4,000/$5,000 (including Raptor and 2011 Regular Cab XL 4x2), F150-F450, F-Series, Expedition, E450, E350, E250, Econoline, Navigator) (each an "Eligible Vehicle"). Rebate amount may be used as a down payment or is reviewed as cheque from Ford, but not both. Taxes payable before Rebate amount is deducted. RYR Rebates are available to residents of Canada only excluding Northwest Territories, Yukon Territories, and Nunavut. Eligible Vehicle must be purchased, leased, or factory ordered during the Program Period to qualify for a Rebate. Rebates can be used in conjunction with most retail consumer offers made available by Ford at either the time of factory order or delivery, but not both. Rebates are non-transferable. Rebates not available on any vehicle receiving CPA, GPP, Commercial Connection Fleet, or Daily Rental Rebate, and Commercial Fleet Incentive Program (CFIP). Limited time offer, see dealer for details or call Ford Customer Relationship Centre at 1-800-565-3673. ©2010 Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited. All rights reserved. ■ Offer valid from Oct. 1/10 to Nov. 1/10 (the "Offer Period") only to resident Canadian Costco members in good standing, active as of August 31, 2010. Use this $1,000/$2,000 Costco member offer towards the purchase or lease of a new 2010/2011 Ford or Lincoln (excluding Fiesta, Focus, Ranger, Shelby GT500, F-150 Raptor, F-650-F-750) (each an "Eligible Vehicle"). This offer is non-transferable. The new vehicle must be delivered and/or factory ordered from your participating Ford Motor Company of Canada ("Ford") dealer within the Offer Period. Offer is only valid at participating dealers, is subject to vehicle availability, and may be cancelled or changed at any time without notice. Only one (1) offer may be applied towards the purchase or lease of one (1) Eligible Vehicle; up to a maximum of two (2) separate Eligible Vehicle sales per Costco Member Number. Offer is transferable to immediate family members domiciled with an eligible Costco member. This offer can be used in conjunction with most retail consumer offers made available by Ford at either the time of factory order (if ordered within the Costco Offer Period) or delivery, but not both. On applicable vehicles, this offer can be combined with FBL Program incentives. For small fleets with an eligible FBL, this offer can be used in conjunction with the Small Business Incentive Program (SBIP). Offer is not combinable with any CPA/GPP, Daily Rental incentives, Commercial Connection Program, or the Commercial Fleet Incentive Program (CFIP). Customer may use the $1,000/$2,000 as a down payment or choose to receive a rebate cheque from Ford, but not both. Applicable taxes calculated before $1,000/$2,000 offer is deducted. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Limited time offer, see dealer for details or call the Ford Customer Relationship Centre at 1-800-565-3673. ©2010 Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited. All rights reserved. Hilltop Street trademark of Price Costco International, Inc. used under license. ‡ Class 1: Subcompact Cars vs. 2010 competition. Estimated fuel consumption ratings for the 2011 Fiesta S SFE Package 4.8L/100km city and 6.9L/100km hwy based on Transport Canada approved test methods. Comparison data based on National Resources Canada (NRCAN) Subcompact Cars and B1: Pickup B Car (excluding Diesel) classified. Actual fuel consumption may vary based on road conditions.

FRONT PORCH REALTY

2017 - 24 Avenue
A cute character, 3 bedrooms, original hardwood, new furnace and stove, large lot in a good location



$132,000

1202 - 20 Street
Great opportunity to finish a renovation project and build some equity. 1 + 2 bedrooms,2 baths, wood stove, garage and carport



$169,900

36 Westpoint Drive
Gorgeous custom built home, over 1500 sq ft, hardwood, gas fireplace, amazing kitchen, fully finished, excellent location!



$398,900

13 Princess Petra Avenue
Great townhouse with no condo fees! 3 bedrooms 1.5 baths, newer flooring, kitchen, air conditioning in bedrooms, affordable!



$175,000

1909 - 17 Street
Lovely maintenance free living, new hardwood floors, new paint and baseboards, 2 bedrooms, main floor laundry, double garage, reasonable HOA fees



$229,900

104 Westpoint Place
over 1500 sq ft plus developed basement, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, beautiful hickory kitchen,gas fireplace, jetted tub, large yard, great location!



$379,900

2.82 acres straight west of Didsbury
1638 sq ft bungalow, slab on grade with in-floor heat, large living areas, double sided fireplace,oversized heated double garage, great location on pavement, beautiful mature yard



$389,900

1505 - 22 Avenue
Neat as a pin and upgraded with newer windows, furnace, and more, 2 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, covered deck, single garage



$229,900

#82 Didsbury Mobile Home Park
low, low price for this little home that needs some work, 1 year old furnace, 2 year old bridge, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath



$9,900

1803 - 17 Street



Lovely 1200 sq ft villa in College Green, fully finished, 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, main floor laundry, reasonable HOA fees

$274,500

Tanglewood Acres!
2.2 acres, over 2100 sq ft home, open plan, gas fireplace, jetted tub, ceramic tile floors, wrap-around deck with hot tub, close to town

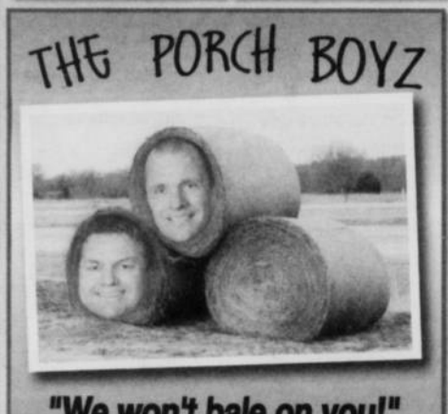


$509,900

303 Campus Green
Largest floor plan in the building, 1250 sq ft of comfort and no maintenance! 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, gas fireplace, wrap-around partly enclosed balcony, great neighbours



$219,900



609 - 23 Street
Acreage with Business Potential! 2 Acres, 1386 sq ft home, covered deck with hot tub, greenhouse operation could be expanded, within town limits, nicely treed



$629,000

1415 - 23 Avenue
family friendly bungalow, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, jetted tub in ensuite, main floor laundry, in/floor heat in basement, large yard



$289,900

2202 - 20 Street
Terrific commercial land in down town Didsbury, 336 feet of frontage, fully serviced in 2 places, great location



$199,900

2205 - 7 Avenue
Acreage in Town! 1.85 acres, large bungalow, in-floor heat in basement and attached garage, 32' X 60' quonset, the best of both worlds



$499,900

62 Valarosa Drive
Fully finished and immaculate, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, hardwood, walk-up from basement, vaulted ceilings, double detached garage



$279,900

15.2 Acre Hobby Farm!
1271 sq ft fully finished home, double garage,corrals, barn, quonset, stock waterer, well treed yard, located only minutes from the QEII



$529,900

105 Valarosa Place



Over 1800 sq ft of new home! 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, open floor plan, walk-through pantry, corner fireplace, great ensuite, large lot

$349,000 inc GST

2029 - 18 Avenue



Great possibilities with this home on an 80' X 120' lot with residential/commercial zoning, family/friendly home, main floor laundry, new roof

$229,900

1306 - 23 Avenue



No Condo Fees! Lovely 45+ unit, hardwood, vaulted ceilings, kitchen island and pantry, gas fireplace, quiet area by the hospital

$279,900

#66 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



1027 sq ft mobile home on rented lot, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, large covered deck, good sized living areas

$29,900

1155 Kildeer Close



2140 sq ft, open floor plan, maple kitchen, hardwood, ceramic tile, gas fireplace, fully finished with walkout basement, well priced

$379,900

903 Carraige Lane Place, Carstairs



Absolutely stunning modified bilevel, hardwood, slate, 3+1 bedrooms, 3 baths, floor heat, gas fireplace, 10' ceilings, beautiful inside and out

$379,900

1 Valarosa Point



Beautiful modified bi-level, 1392 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, 3 sided gas fireplace, walk-in closet, much more

$329,900

2106 - 14 Avenue
Spacious home with large main floor family room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, main floor laundry, single garage



$239,900

107 Westridge Place



Over 1500 sq ft and fully developed, open floor plan,3 + 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, gas fireplace, huge fenced yard

$374,900

1807 Anderson Court



Affordable first time home or revenue property, you own the lot, 1135 sq ft, 4 bedrooms, no neighbours behind

$109,900

10 Westheights Drive



1450 sq ft family home, 4 bedrooms, many recent upgrades including flooring, kitchen cabinets and much more, fireplace and wood stove,fenced deck, excellent location

$277,000

1403B - 18 Avenue



Terrific half duplex, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, laminate floors, fully finished, double detached garage, nice fenced yard

$243,500

28 Westheights Crescent



well built home in desirable area, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, jetted tub, main floor laundry, hot tub and large rear deck, nice yard

$269,900

303 Westview Greens



lovely 2 bedroom condo suite, 2 baths, 9' ceilings, oak kitchen with stainless steel appliances, backs onto the golf course, single detached garage

$169,900

18 Valarosa Cove



Brand new and Beautiful! over 1600 sq ft, hardwood, gas fireplace, open plan, 9' ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, main floor laundry, walk-out basement, and much more!

$324,900

205 Campus Green



Maintenance free living, 2 bedrooms, 5 appliances, air conditioning, balcony overlooking greenspace, heated parking,reasonable condo fees

$179,900

2106 - 19 Avenue



2 floors above grade! 2 + 1 bedrooms, jetted tub, newer oak kitchen, potential for 2 suites with a little work, oversized double garage

$215,900

103 Westheights Close



5 bedrooms, 3 baths, fireplace, huge kitchen/dining, enclosed deck, large yard, excellent location, over 1900 sq ft

$329,900

FRONT PORCH FOCUS

You've Got Talent! Saturday, November 6th at 6:30 at Zion EM Church. You've seen the show, now it's your turn! A fun filled family friendly evening. To enter or for more information contact John Reimer at john@zemc.org or 403-586-3659

39 Meadowview Court



Let your tenant help pay the mortgage!3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceiling, gas fireplace, self contained 2 bedroom basement suite, large double garage, big lot

$359,900

304 Campus Green



corner unit with partly glassed in wrap-around balcony, 2 bedrooms, open floor plan, oak cabinetry, heated parking, great community in this building!

$192,400

1301 - 24 Street



3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, bright country kitchen, drilled well, pellet stove in basement family room, direct access to large double garage, nice courtyard area

$256,900

1806 Anderson Court

Great starter or revenue property, total of 5 bedrooms, wood stove, full basement, 16' X 32' garage, fenced yard

$169,900

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